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<b>PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:</b>	<b>BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE</b>
<b>MEETING DATE AND TIME:</b>	<b>Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.</b>
<b>PLACE:</b>	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A, Second floor of the Cannon Building
<b>MINUTES APPROVED:</b>	March 13, 2012

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Craig Metzner, DVM, President  
Rachel Longfellow, LVT, Vice-President  
Lynn Nellius, LVT  
Roberta Jackson, VMD  
Lena Corder, Public Member  
Patricia Ennis, Public Member  
Natalie Titus, DVM

**DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General  
Gayle Melvin, Administrative Specialist III  
Kristin Gibbons, Hearing Officer

**ALSO PRESENT**

Aniseh Talebi  
Danesh Moradi  
Dr. Erin Giebel  
Dr. Jan Sosnowski  
Cindy Reeder, Court Reporter

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Metzner called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the minutes of the January 10, 2012 meeting. Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Review of Continuing Education Courses**

Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow to approve the following continuing education courses:

Chi Institute

2012 Spring Acupuncture Program

Session 1 – 20 hours

Session 2 – 28 hours

Session 3 – 20 hours

Session 4 – 28 hours

Session 5 – 20 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

### **Sign Final Order from Hearing Held for Dr. John S. Majcher, Jr.**

Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **Sign Final Order from Hearing Held for Dr. David K. Trachtenberg**

Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was unanimously carried.

## **HEARINGS**

### **Public Hearing: Proposed Revisions to Rule and Regulation 2.0**

Ms. Heeney called the Public Hearing to order at 1:20 p.m. The Board proposed amendments to Rule 2.0, addressing Unprofessional Conduct for Veterinarians. Specifically, Rule 2.1.17 is added to provide that, upon request of the client, directed to the veterinarian, the veterinarian shall disclose common side effects of the medications prescribed by the veterinarian. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in two Delaware newspapers. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Delaware Register of Regulations. Verbatim testimony was recorded by the court reporter. No written comments were received. No public comments were received. At 1:23 p.m., the Board went off the record and held deliberations. At 1:29 p.m., the Board went back on the record. Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson to adopt Rule 2.1.27 as proposed. The motion was unanimously carried. Board members signed the final order from the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing closed at 1:30 p.m.

### **Hearing: Aniseh Talebi Regarding the Board's Proposal to Deny of her Application for Licensure/Examination as a Veterinary Technician**

Ms. Heeney called the formal hearing to order at 1:40 p.m. At its meeting on January 10, 2012, the Board proposed to deny Ms. Talebi's application for licensure/examination as a veterinary technician. According to her application, Ms. Talebi was applying under the category of having graduated from an AVMA approved foreign veterinary program. Ms. Talebi had graduated from Tehran University, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, which did not appear to be an AVMA approved foreign veterinary program.

Present for the hearing were Ms. Talebi and her husband, Danesh Moradi. Ms. Talebi was sworn in by the court reporter and verbatim testimony was recorded by the court reporter. Ms. Talebi gave testimony regarding her application and education and answered questions from Board members. Mr. Moradi was sworn in by the court reporter and testified regarding his wife's character and work experience.

At 1:57 p.m., the Board went off the record for deliberations. The Board went back on the record at 2:05 p.m. Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius to approve Ms. Talebi's application because she meets the requirements of Rule 11.1.2. The motion was unanimously carried. The hearing concluded at 2:06 p.m.

### **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED**

#### **Review of Application for the VTNE**

The Board reviewed the application of Erika Zerebecki that was previously tabled and her explanation as to why she indicated on her application that she did not have a social security number. Ms. Zerebecki explained that she was born in Canada and misunderstood the question. She stated that she does have an American issued social security number. Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow to approve Ms. Zerebecki to sit for the VTNE. The motion was unanimously carried.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Review of Applications for the VTNE**

Ms. Nellius made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow to approve the following persons to sit for the VTNE:

Hasuna Hines  
Liane Dillon  
Sheri Lee Swift  
Jessica Fenton  
Codi Grimsman  
Nicole Curley  
Jennifer Cash  
Courtney Stephen

The motion was unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed the application of Andrea Kendall to sit for the VTNE. Ms. Ennis made a motion, seconded by Ms. Longfellow to table this application and that a letter be sent to Dr. Jonathan Kelman, with a copy to Ms. Kendall, requesting that he verify that Ms. Kendall did in fact work the hours indicated in her affidavit. If the hours indicated are accurate, Dr. Kelman will be requested to explain the circumstances under which Ms. Kendall worked such excessive hours. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Applications for the NAVLE

Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Dr. Metzner to approve the following persons to sit for the NAVLE:

Nicole Montemoino  
Mitchell Barnett

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Examination

Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to approve the following person for veterinarian licensure by examination:

Melissa Schwarmann

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Veterinarian Licensure by Reciprocity

Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to ratify the following person for veterinarian licensure by reciprocity:

Kristin McCann

The motion was unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Veterinary Technician Licensure by Reciprocity

Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to ratify the following person for veterinary technician licensure by reciprocity:

Amanda Woodall

The motion was unanimously carried.

Status of Complaints

Complaint No. 28-22-11 – Assigned to Dr. Metzner  
Complaint No. 28-01-12 – Assigned to Dr. Jackson  
Complaint No. 28-02-12 – Assigned to Ms. Longfellow

Review of Continuing Education Course

Dr. Titus made a motion, seconded by Dr. Jackson to approve the following continuing education course:

Advanstar Communications Inc.

CVC Washington, D.C. – up to 28 hours for veterinarians and up to 24 hours for veterinary technicians which does not include exhibit hall hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)**

It was noted that on the agenda for the February 16, 2012 meeting of the Acupuncture Advisory Council of the Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, the Council would be reviewing the letter from the Board regarding other professions, such as chiropractors, physical therapists and acupuncturists, performing their services on animals. Dr. Metzner made a motion, seconded by Ms. Nellius to approve Ms. Longfellow, Ms. Ennis and Dr. Jackson, on behalf of the Board, to attend and discuss the content of the letter from the Board regarding acupuncturists who wish to perform their services on animals. The motion was unanimously carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

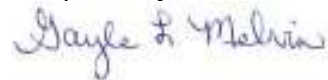
**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Ms. Longfellow made a motion, seconded by Ms. Corder to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Gayle L. Melvin  
Administrative Specialist III